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## DAILY BRIEF

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### II. ASIA-AFRICA

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**Iran-USSR:** [The Iranian Government has agreed to sign a nonaggression pact with the USSR, according to Iranian Minister of Court Ala. Three high-ranking Soviet officials arrived in Tehran on 29 January, reportedly including A. P. Pavlov, chief of the Middle East Division of the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Soviet Ambassador Pegov's continued presence in Tehran, despite local press reports that he was leaving for Moscow to attend the 21st party congress, is further indicative of important negotiations.]

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**UAR-USSR:** Muhammad Heikal, Cairo newspaper editor who is close to Nasir, in a 29 January article has criticized Khrushchev's speech at the party congress as interference in the UAR's affairs. He added that the Arabs "love and respect" the USSR in spite of, not because of, the activities of local Communists. Nasir met with Soviet Ambassador Kisselev on the morning of 29 January.

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*No* Israel: Tel Aviv appears to be renewing its efforts to build a record on the handling of border incidents which will "prove" that the United Nations machinery in the area is ineffective. Although the Israelis themselves are in part responsible for creating the local situations out of which recent incidents have developed, they have submitted a lengthy complaint to the UN Security Council and are taking a "tough" line with local UN officials. [REDACTED]

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### III. THE WEST

*No* Haiti: President Duvalier's domestic position is deteriorating rapidly, [REDACTED]

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25X1 [redacted] With disaffection mounting rapidly among government employees, with the general populace restive under a long economic crisis, and with the army already at least passively opposed to him, Duvalier can count only on his personal civilian militia for support. 25X1

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[redacted]  
[redacted] IV. SIGNIFICANT INTELLIGENCE REPORTS AND ESTIMATES

(Available during the preceding week)

SNIE 100-10-58. Soviet Objectives in the Berlin Crisis.  
23 December 1958. [redacted] 25X1

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I. THE COMMUNIST BLOC  
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II. ASIA-AFRICA

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Iranian-Soviet Nonaggression Pact Now Appears Certain

[Iranian Minister of Court Ala told Ambassador Wailes in Tehran on 29 January that Iran has agreed to sign a non-aggression pact with the USSR. He also confirmed that three high-ranking Soviet officials, one of whom has been tentatively identified as A. P. Pavlov, chief of the Middle East Division of the Soviet Foreign Ministry, arrived in Tehran on the afternoon of 29 January.]

[Further indication that significant developments are taking place in Iranian-Soviet negotiations is Soviet Ambassador Pegov's continued presence in Tehran despite local press reports that he was leaving for Moscow to attend the Communist party congress, a function from which Pegov, a member of the party central committee, would absent himself only for exceptionally pressing business.]

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[Ambassador Wailes regards the situation as serious and believes it has passed the stage of mere "pressure...for budget assistance." He recently reported, however, that the Shah, realizing the serious consequences of signing any agreement with the USSR, may be trying to clarify vague Soviet proposals. In the Shah's present state of depression and apparent disillusionment, confused by conflicting advice from those around him and enticed by attractive Soviet offers, he may blunder into a situation which is beyond his control.]

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# Israeli-Arab Incidents

Israel's firm representations to UN truce officials and its complaint to the Security Council seem to be part of an effort to demonstrate the failure of UN machinery to prevent and mediate Arab-Israeli incidents. A record of recent instances of such alleged ineffectiveness could be used to support an Israeli case for any future "retaliation" against the Arabs. [UN Secretary General Hammarskjold believes the pattern is similar to that of 1955-56 prior to Israel's attack on Egypt, but that at present the campaign is "not so far advanced." There are no indications as yet that the Israelis are planning imminent military action.]

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[The Israelis, refusing to utilize the facilities of the Mixed Armistice Commission for dealing with border incidents, have "demanded" that UN officers arrange a meeting of local Israeli and Jordanian commanders regarding the fatal shooting of an Israeli soldier in Jerusalem on 26 January. They emphasize that they must have an answer to this request no later than Sunday and "probably even by Friday."] The UN Security Council meets on Friday afternoon, 30 January, to consider Israel's complaint against the UAR. Israel may decide to include the Jerusalem incident in its complaint.

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Tel Aviv seems inclined to regard the recent increase of border incidents as resulting from the absence of any decisive action by the Security Council on the previous Israeli complaint in December. An Israeli newspaper which frequently reflects government views has asserted that the present complaint must be understood as a "last warning," and that if the UN is unable to keep peace Israel will be obliged to take action.

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